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VIA ECF AND EMAIL
Hon. Cathy Seibel, U.S.D.J.
United States District Court
Southern District of New York
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Re: Valdez v. Wells Fargo Advisors, LLC Civil Action No. 7:23-CV-07279 (CS) **New Jersey**

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This case is removed from mediation.

SO ORDERED.

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CATHY SEIBEL, U.S.D.J

Dear Judge Seibel:

This Firm represents Defendant Wells Fargo Advisors, LLC ("Defendant" or "Wells Fargo") in the above referenced matter. Please accept this letter to request relief from the Court's December 21, 2023 Mediation Referral Order. On August 6, 2024, Your Honor extended the time for the mediation to be scheduled through November 2024. (Document 36). The parties have engaged in settlement discussions but, at this time, Defendant believes that Plaintiff's deposition needs to take place before any meaningful settlement discussions. Plaintiff's deposition is currently scheduled for December 10, 2024. As such, Defendant respectfully requests relief from the Order of Referral to Mediation.

We thank the Court for its attention to this matter.

Respectfully submitted,

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